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Historically monopolies have have bad for the country regardless of the product sold. Never in the history of the World has one company held as much market share of what has become a necessary tool. Allow me a few points about the proposed settlement.

When you win a point, you don't surrender to the other side. The settlement is basically this action

Allowing such a monopoly to continue can only be bad for the country in the long term. Yes, disolving Microsift might hurt in the short term. Better we all take our medicine now, and get it over with.

Microsoft is a bad corporate citizen. In every court judgment it has been given it has whined, dragged it feet and, broken the agreement before the lawyers have gotten out of the courthouse. Why do you expect this pattern of behavior will change? A settlement will not work in the best interest of the people. Microsoft "promises" are not worth the ink they are signed with.

Microsoft has behaved in a criminal manner. Since when do criminals get to set their own "punishment"?

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